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COMMENT OF THE DAY

WILSON RETURNS TO THE ATTACK

Embargo Under Review

BRITAIN'S attitude towards China and the latter's so-called allegiance to Russia has been ably expressed once again by the British Ambassador to the United States, Sir Roger Makins. He explained that Britain has never fully accepted the point of view that China was a satellite of the Soviet Union and points to the recent Sino-Russian agreement whereby Russia gave up a number of privileges (among other things) in China. This agreement was interesting. After Geneva, Russia's propaganda and diplomatic endeavours had two main objectives. One was to prevent the conclusion of the Southeast Asian defence agreement and the other was to ensure the wrecking of the European Defence Community. The first objective failed completely, though there was an uncontrollable glee in Moscow that some Southeast Asian countries were not represented. The failure of the French Assembly to ratify E.D.C. also gave great satisfaction but since then Sir Anthony Eden's initiative has made the preservation of the unity of Western Europe possible. During the period of negotiations, both on Southeast Asia and Europe, the Communists were loud in their denunciations that progress of either would damage world peace prospects. But immediately after the London meeting, Mr Vyshinsky surprised the United Nations Assembly by putting forward suggestions on disarmament worthy of consideration. However, precisely what these suggestions amounted to is still to be defined. It was also after the Southeast Asian pact was signed and the calling of the London conference that Russia sent a delegation to Peking. On every previous occasion when relationships between them have been discussed, the Chinese have gone to Moscow. This time the Russians went to China. Reviewing the Sino-Russian communique in the light of world events, it is interesting that Russia has seen fit at this juncture to raise the prestige and stature of the Chinese Government, not only within China but to the rest of the world. It certainly cannot now be said that China is at the beck and call of the Soviet Union and subservient to Russian decrees. She is, in fact, a fully fledged partner.

Government To Make Statement On Strike

London, Oct. 21. The British Minister of Labour, Sir Walter Monckton, is expected to make a statement tomorrow on the dock strike situation which has now brought work to a standstill in half of the ports of Britain.

Today he conferred at length with the Premier, Sir Winston Churchill. The Minister, it is understood, is anxious to avoid, at least for the moment, using troops to unload strike-bound ships. He is still hoping that the dispute can be settled without having to take special measures.

An expert in trade union questions said tonight that it was a race between the tabling of the conclusions of the committee of inquiry set up to examine the causes of the strike and the proclamation of a state of emergency.

Sir Walter Monckton is believed to be hoping that the committee can make its conclusions known before or during the week-end. Feeling in Whitehall tonight was cautiously optimistic.

DEAKIN'S DENUNCIATION

Mr Arthur Deakin, General Secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union, today denounced the creeping dockland paralysis in which thousands of members of his own union are on an unofficial strike.

He was giving evidence at the second public session of the Government inquiry into the strike as hundreds more dockers joined to bring the total now out to about 52,000—Reuter & France-Press.

In This Saturday's Mail

Last week the China Mail gave you a five-author thriller, *Sequence Sinister*. This Saturday the Mail offers another unusual feature—five successful men tell you THEIR SECRET FAILINGS.

This is just one of the top-line features you will find in this Saturday's Mail. On another page, Rene MacColl, Daily Express reporter-at-large, who visited Russia and China, with the recent Labour Party mission, gives you this week THE STORY THE REDS WOULD NOT LET ME SEND. This is the truth about Krushchev's

Bernard Wicksteed and Percy Hockings are still with us. They're off on another roll-back this week. And in a more serious vein, Frank Owen gives you the views of Lord Templewood (Sir Samuel Hoare) on WERE THE MEN OF MUNICH GUILTY?

In this week's World's strangest story, Kendall McDonald tells you about the M.P. WHO SUDDENLY VANISHED AND REAPPEARED. And although he never officially reappeared, certain people have seen him ever since to them in Australia, sitting in buses, waiting for planes, at picnics, and even in the streets of Sydney.

New Blacklisting Charges Against U.S. Consulate: Hongkong Firm Named EVIDENCE SENT TO MINISTER

From Our Own Correspondent & Reuter

London, Oct. 21. Mr Harold Wilson, formerly Socialist President of the Board of Trade returned to the attack today after his charges that American Consular officials in Hongkong were blacklisting British firms trading with China had been denied both by the Colony's Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham and by Mr Guy Hope, the United States State Department's China Affairs spokesman.

Mr Wilson sent documentary and other evidence to support his charges to the Colonial Secretary, Mr Allan Lennox-Boyd.

Mr Wilson yesterday alleged that the United States Consular Corps in Hongkong was warning British businessmen they would have their dollar assets frozen in the United States if they did not stop trade of a particular kind with China. He also said that "hordes" of American consular officials in Hongkong were "spying on British trade".

Today he quoted the case of a reputable British firm in Hongkong, seeking to maintain its establishment in China.

Our correspondent said this statement made in California today described my allegations as "nonsense".

"I do not propose to comment on the propriety or otherwise of the Governor's entering late the controversy about statements made in the House of Commons," he said. "But I think that you should answer the challenge of the Colonial Secretary," he said.

Mr Wilson said his evidence showed that in a time of peace the American Consular officials were operating all the panoply of economic warfare controls.

"They are designating, blacklisting and applying indirect economic pressures against British traders who are, with the support of the British Government, carrying on legitimate trade in very difficult conditions," he said.

Mr Wilson said his evidence was based on the company reports of reputable British concerns in Hongkong, published there, and so far as he knew not challenged. It was also based on a number of statements and letters reaching him from other British business circles in Hongkong.

STATEMENT TO PRESS

Today Mr Wilson told a British news agency: "My attention has been drawn to a statement made by the United States Consul-General in Hongkong and to a report that the Governor of Hongkong, in a

free to publish his letter.

FREE TO PUBLISH

He said Mr Lennox-Boyd was free to publish his letter.

CHINA ENGINEERS' STATEMENT

Mr W. C. Gomersall, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the China Engineers Ltd., confirmed the Daily Express report as "substantially correct" in an interview with the China Mail this morning.

He said the statement made to shareholders in the last Annual Report of the Company on April 30, still held good and there was no change in the situation.

The China Engineers still have an office and mills in Shanghai.

The full text of the statement in the China Engineers Annual Report of April this year, is as follows:

AMERICAN INTERFERENCE

"Besides the embargo, our trade has been adversely affected

by the action of the U.S. Government. When they imposed an embargo on China, and blocked all Chinese accounts, they did not confine themselves to the Chinese alone, but also blocked the accounts of British and other nationals, who were engaged in buying and selling with China.

"Our account in New York was blocked in January 1951. We had something over US\$450,000 in the account at the time, and it was a serious embarrassment to us. We engaged the services of an eminent American lawyer, and he succeeded in having the account unblocked. That was in December 1951.

"After the unblocking, we transferred about US\$300,000 to Canada. In October 1952, without warning or explanation, the account was blocked again.

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A BOAC Constellation carrying Denis Compton, the Test cricketer to Australia made an emergency crash landing at Karachi airport, tonight.

None of the 90 passengers and ten crew were injured.

A BOAC spokesman said Denis Compton, who appeared to be the only serious injury, took the plane to India.

The two-engined plane was returning from a tour of the Commonwealth countries.

The aircraft had been en route to Sydney, via Singapore, when it

Only A Model But The Band Had To Duck



No, this is not a war-time picture! Just a model plane which just came a little too low and too near the Royal Artillery Band as they played during the annual parade of the Australian Air League Victorian Wing at Como Park, Melbourne. —Central Press.

ANOTHER SUCCESS AT PARIS

Final Agreement On German Rearmament

Now Only The Saar Problem Remains

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VERY SATISFIED

Dr Adenauer said on leaving the conference hall tonight that he was "very satisfied" with today's results. But he added that "some difficulties" still remained over the Saar problem.

The foreign ministers from 15 countries, stretching from the Pacific to the Black Sea, have two more steps to go in one of the swiftest races in diplomatic history.

15TH MEMBER

Tomorrow the foreign ministers of Britain, France and the United States, and Dr Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor, will meet to approve a final agreement, giving sovereignty to the Federal Republic and ending the nine-year Western Allied occupation.

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NEXT YEAR

Ratification by the Assembly must constitutionally be followed by ratification by the Council of the Republic (Upper House).

This will probably run into next year. But it will not, French observers thought, affect the ratification essentially. The Premier, M. Georges Pompidou, is confident the Assembly will ratify the agreements by an absolute majority, and in the case a Senator's vote is a pure formality. —Reuters.

THE SECRET OF sandwich SUCCESS

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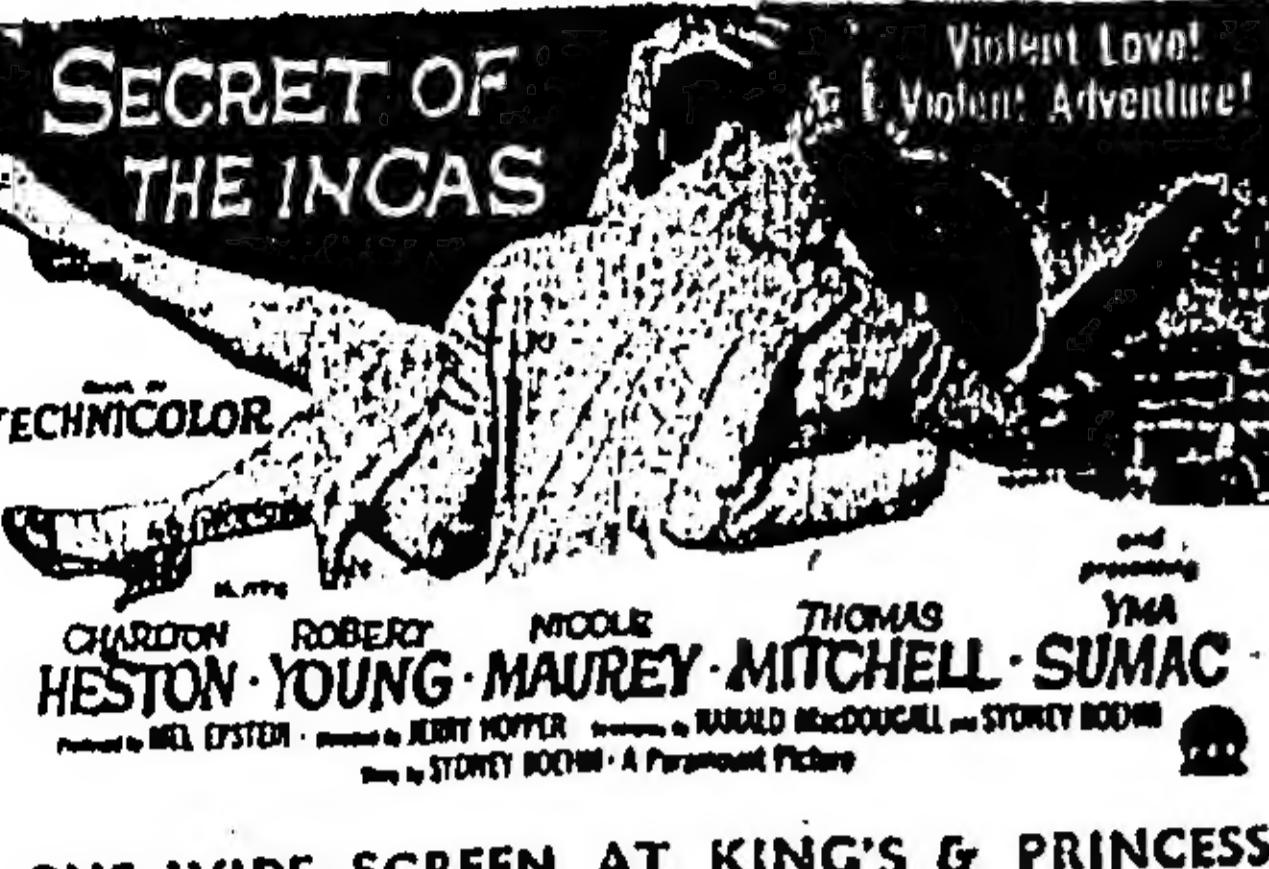
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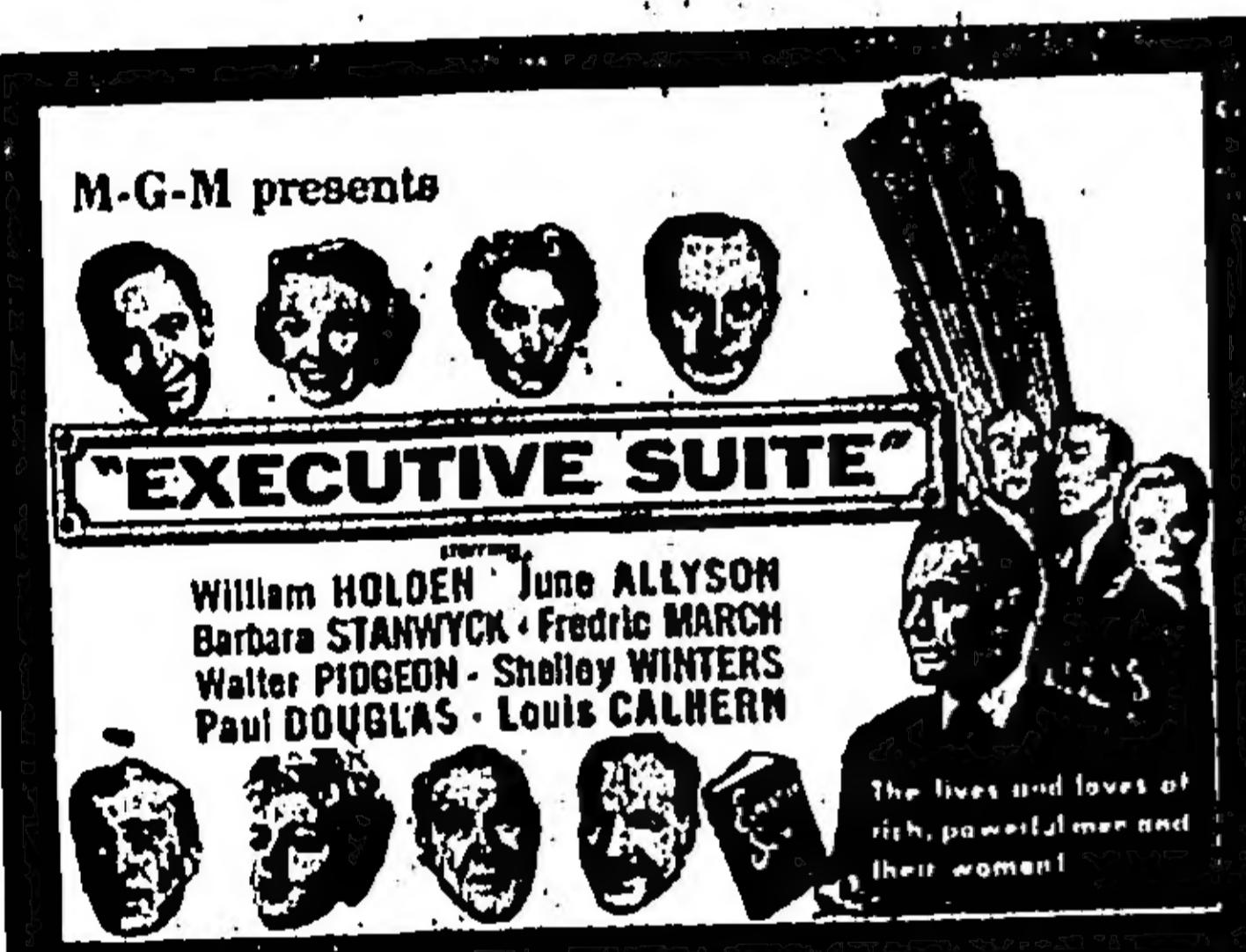
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& Renew Friendships

NO EASY VISIT,
SAYS CRAIGIE

London, Oct. 21.
The Japanese Prime Minister, Mr Shigeru Yoshida, arrived by plane from Rome today for a seven-day visit which he hopes will help Britain and Japan resume the friendly relations of old.

Mr Yoshida was welcomed at the airport by Lord Reading, Minister of State representing the British Government, Sir Robert Craigie, pre-war British Ambassador in Tokyo, and Mr Colin Crowe, head of the Foreign Office's Far Eastern Department.

The Japanese Ambassador, Mr Shunichi Matsumoto, introduced the Prime Minister to Lord Reading and Mr Crowe but Mr Yoshida greeted Sir Robert as "my old friend."

Also at the airport was Mr Kichiro Azakai, Japanese Foreign Office representative to Britain, who arrived here today by air from Tokyo to accompany Mr Yoshida on his visit to Britain.

JAUNTY STEP

The 76-year-old Japanese Premier stepped jauntily from the aircraft and shook hands warmly with the officials who greeted him talking volubly in English all the time.

"My old friend," he said on greeting Sir Robert, while an army of Press photographers crowded about them.

"The reason for Mr Yoshida's visit is to broaden the basis of Japan's position through better contacts with foreign countries," Sir Robert told the United Press.

"He aims to get back the old relationship and believes we can work together to solve common problems," Sir Robert said.

Mr Yoshida said he was a "very old friend" of Britain and that he believed "there is a very good chance of Britain and Japan getting along together."

He said he had been to France, Germany and Italy which were places he had known during his diplomatic career and which it was a pleasure to visit again after an absence of many years.

16 YEARS AGO

It was 16 years ago that he left London to return to Tokyo after serving for two years as Ambassador to Britain. He said he was looking forward to revisiting old familiar places which he knew well during his term of office as Ambassador from 1936 to 1938.

Mr Yoshida's first official engagement is a reception given by Ambassador Shunichi at his official residence tomorrow evening.

No official arrangements have been made over the weekend and Embassy officials said it was expected that Mr Yoshida would fill the time by visiting old personal friends in London and elsewhere within travelling distance.

On Monday he is scheduled to meet the Foreign Secretary, Sir Anthony Eden, who also knows the Prime Minister from his Ambassadorial days when Mr Yoshida openly advocated close friendship between Britain, the United States and Japan as the only solution to the turbulent Far Eastern scene.

On Tuesday Mr Yoshida is scheduled to give a Press conference which is expected to attract one of the biggest audiences from the national and international Press in London.

TO MEET THE QUEEN

As soon as Tuesday he is to be received by Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace and on the following day he is to be the guest of the Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, at dinner.

"His visit is not going to be easy. There's still a lot of

United Press.

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QUEEN'S & ALHAMBRA

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NATIONALIST CREDENTIALS APPROVED

35 Votes To Nine In United Nations General Assembly

INDIA STATES REASONS

United Nations, Oct. 21.

The United Nations General Assembly today approved the credentials of Nationalist China by 35 votes in favour, nine against and three abstentions.

The vote came with the routine presentation of the Credentials Committee report to the Assembly.

The Soviet Union asked that a separate vote be taken on China's case but there was no discussion before the balloting, which was by show of hands. No official breakdown of the vote was made.

Mr V. K. Krishna Menon, head of the Indian delegation, asked for the floor to explain his vote. He said India had voted against the motion on Nationalist China.

He said India's position on China's U.N. membership was well known—that it did not recognise the Nationalist Government. Mr Menon contended that, in view of the General Assembly's earlier action delaying at least until the end of 1954 any consideration of Communist China's claim to U.N. membership, "then the report of the Credentials Committee should not come up here at all."

CHINA QUESTION

The Credentials Committee report asks us to decide on China although the (Assembly) resolution says that the China question should not be raised at this session," he added.

"There is no government of Formosa that we could recognise."

Mr Andrei Vyshinsky of the Soviet Union strode to the rostrum immediately after Mr Menon to declare: "The delegation of the Soviet Union adheres wholeheartedly to the motives set forth by the preceding speaker from India."

Mr Vyshinsky spoke barely one minute to say that the Soviet Union still maintained that the only legal delegation which might with all justification represent China... here in the United Nations is the delegation of the Chinese People's Republic and no one else."

The Assembly then approved the Credentials Committee report as a whole by 45 votes in favour, none against and eight abstentions.

Dr E. N. van Kleefens, Assembly President, declared that Czechoslovakia's proposal for a prohibition against propaganda for a new war should be placed on its agenda. No one wanted to speak on the item so

U.S. PLEASED WITH IRAN OIL VOTE

Washington, Oct. 21. While withholding formal comment pending final ratification by the Iranian Senate, U.S. officials expressed great pleasure today over the overwhelming approval given to the Oil Agreement by the Iranian Lower House.

The vote of 113 to five, with two abstentions by which the oil accord was passed by the Majlis, was taken as strong supporting evidence that there is no import opposition in Iran to the agreement which will put Iran back in the oil business after a three-year hiatus.

Despite Ayatollah Kushani's harsh criticism of the record ending the Iranian-British oil dispute, there has been no repetition of the mob scenes which marked Mohammed Mossadegh's decline, and no repetition is expected.

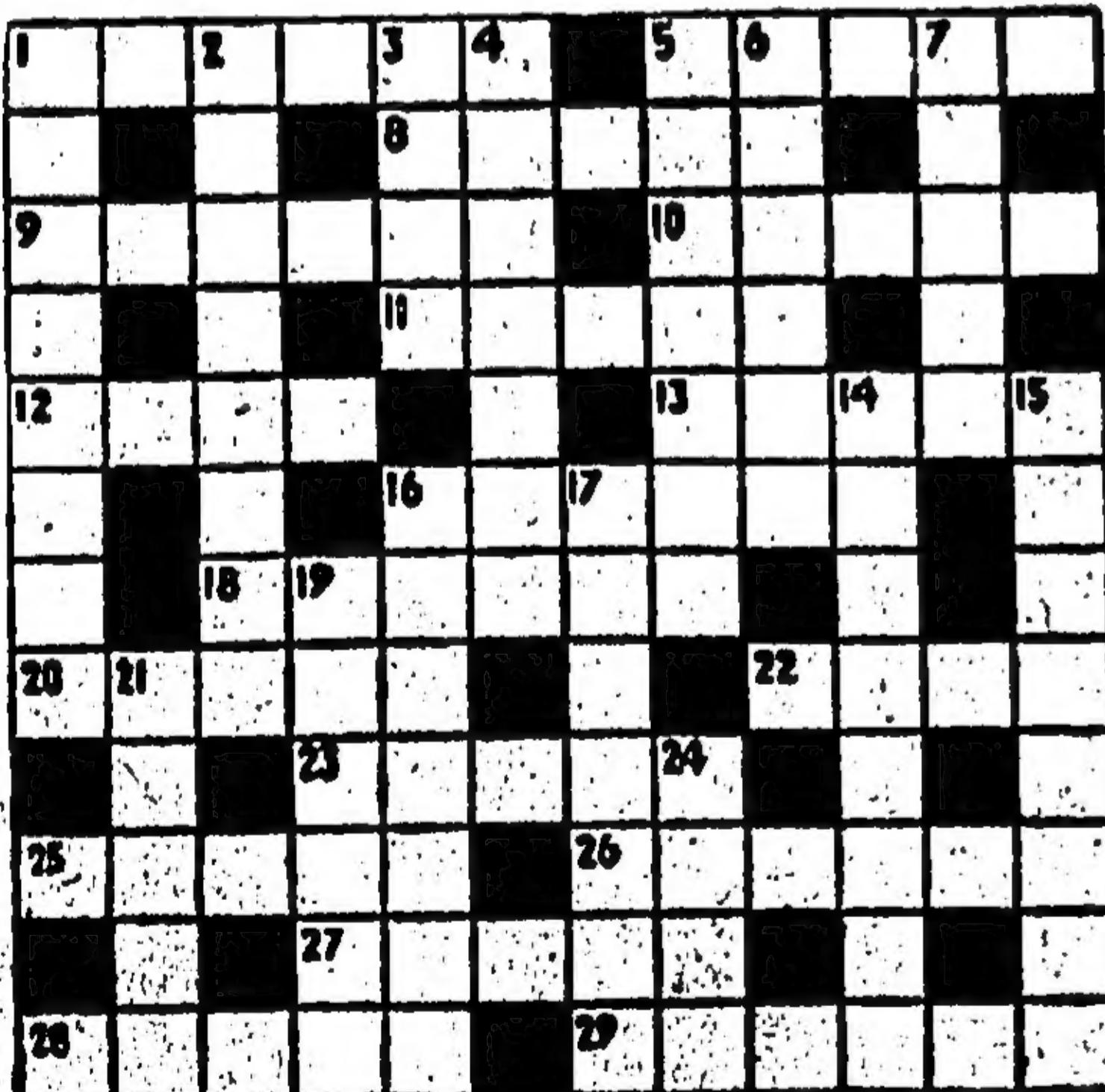
There seems to be general realisation in Iran, informed quarters here, that, in an oil agreement involving foreign participation is indispensable to the country, and a general feeling that the present agreement is a fair one.—United Press.

Scotch Exports Up Again

Edinburgh, Oct. 21. Whisky exports for the first nine months of this year averaged £3,000,000 a month, the Scotch Whisky Association announced here today.

Exports totalled 9,851,372 proof gallons worth in all £28,110,783, the highest record for the period and more than for the whole of 1950. Half the shipments went to the United States. —Offices Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

1 Sacred song (6).

2 Divert (6).

3 Larist (6).

4 Menace (6).

10 Introduction (5).

11 Nominates (6).

12 Devastation (6).

13 Prison rooms (5).

16 Mark with blotches (6).

17 Womble (6).

20 Frost (6).

22 Most (6).

23 For smoking (6).

25 Feature (6).

26 Greenhorn (6).

27 Phundit (6).

28 Command (6).

29 Test (6).

DOWN

1 Lobby (8).

2 Final (8).

3 Deaf (4).

4 Bullfighter (7).

5 Appearances (7).

6 Bit (6).

7 Blunder (6).

8 Acquiesce (8).

15 Painter (8).

16 Peacock (7).

17 Occupants (7).

19 Submissive (6).

21 Mistake (5).

24 Flounce (4).

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TODAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Sapped, 6. Backs, 9. West, 12. Veto, 14. Amber, 15. Reheat, 16. Pint, 18. Tread, 19. Larder, 20. Chaff, 21. Pint, 22. Dishes, 23. Stew, 24. Dishes, 25. Dishes, 26. Greenhorn, 27. Phundit, 28. Command, 29. Test. Down: 1. Lobby, 2. Final, 3. Deaf, 4. Bullfighter, 5. Appearances, 6. Bit, 7. Blunder, 8. Acquiesce, 9. Painter, 10. Peacock, 11. Occupants, 12. Submissive, 13. Mistake, 14. Flounce, 15. Tread, 16. Pint, 17. Tread, 18. Larder, 19. Chaff, 20. Dishes, 21. Stew, 22. Dishes, 23. Dishes, 24. Dishes, 25. Dishes, 26. Greenhorn, 27. Phundit, 28. Command, 29. Test.



Queen Frederica Visits Clinic

American Predicts Massive Japanese Exports

Washington, Oct. 21. Massive Japanese exports of lorries, machinery, power equipment and even whiskey were predicted by an American businessman who complained today to a Government trade group that Japanese chinaware sales in the United States were seriously injuring domestic producers.

The witness was Mr Lynne Warren representing the Shangango China Company who appeared before the committee for reciprocity information to oppose any new extension of article 28 of the Geneva Agreement on Tariffs and Trade beyond its present deadline of June 30, 1955. Operation of article 28 would permit the United States and other governments to remove tariff concessions on some imports.

Mr Warren also complained that chinaware were as inefficient as the Japanese we Britain, France and Germany would have been out of business long ago."

He added: "And what good are we doing for a country to let them sell goods here made by bare subsistence labour when a few owners will make good profit?"

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"Is a Japanese pottery maker any less susceptible to Communist propaganda when he takes home 80 cents a day and the boss makes \$100,000 profit or when the worker still takes home 80 cents a day and the boss only makes \$25,000 profit?"

Mr Warren asked the committee to show a "little sympathetic understanding for our fellow businessmen."

"If we are going to subsidise other countries by letting them unfairly compete with our domestic industries let us at least be sure that the standards of living of the foreign countries workers are improved and not just let the pockets of a few benefit!"—Reuter.

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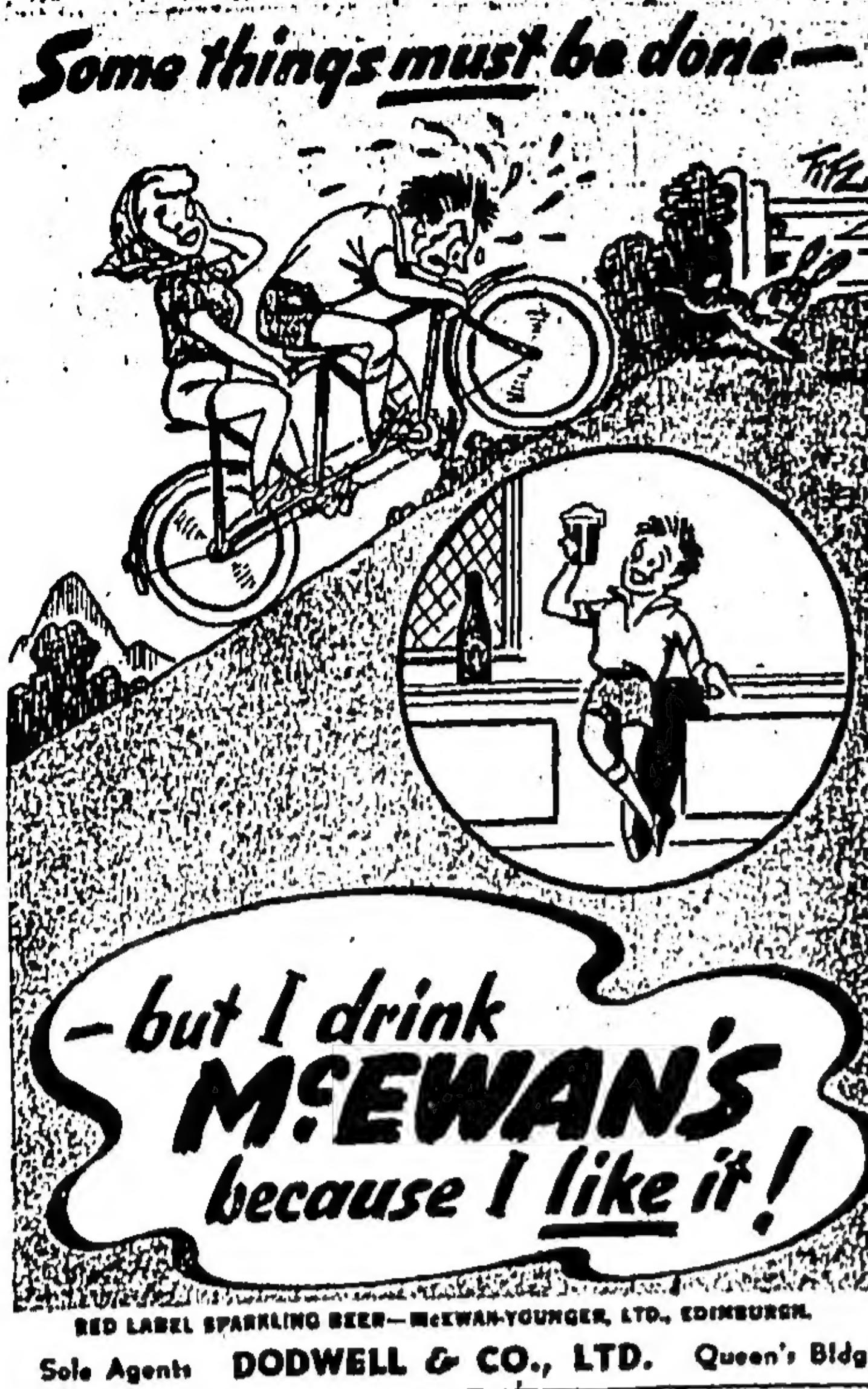
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COME TODAY INSIDE A COMMUNIST COURT IN EAST GERMANY—WHERE JUSTICE TURNS HER OPEN EYES TO THE LEFT

SHE'S GUILTY, SO WHY TAKE A PLEA?

SEFTON DELMER CONTINUES HIS REPORT ON RED GERMANY

IT was in a court-room corridor on the very first morning of my trip around Communist-run East Germany that I heard the two ominous sentences which were to keep echoing in my mind for the rest of the visit: "The accused was clearly and unmistakably guilty. Therefore there was no point in having counsel in court to defend her."

The tubby little public prosecutor,徒less to show his proletarian sympathies, spoke them.

I had been listening, in the East Berlin People's Court, to the trial of fair-haired, middle-aged woman accused of economic sabotage.

The absence of counsel to put her side of the case before the court had baffled me, so at the adjournment I asked the prosecutor why.

"But who decided she was guilty?" I persisted. "Who is empowered to anticipate the verdict of a court like this?"

"Why, my office does," the State Attorney's office, said the friendly little man, smiling and bobbing.

"Ahd that doesn't offend your German sense of justice!"

"But no, of course not. It was a clear case. Beyond all dispute the woman was guilty. It would have been a waste of time for anyone to defend her."

He looked, behind his thick-lensed spectacles, mild and kindly.

And, as far as he was concerned, the case was settled.

Unfreedom

FOR the rest of my trip his amazing formula, disregarding the most elementary principles of justice, kept coming up at the back of my mind.

Whether I was visiting a beautiful new hospital wing for workers and their families, attached to an electrical machinery works and built out of the profits of the works, or sliding in felt over-shoes across the palatial parquet floors of the extravagantly elaborate new physical culture and sports university in Leipzig, there it was, the voice of the little attorney, to bid me back to court and remind me of the

judge, a blue-eyed, angelic-looking creature in her late thirties whom I could well imagine as an ideal kindergarten governess. She had nothing to do with the law till 1949. Then she did a two-year course in a "school for judges," proved herself in an examination to be well up in Marxist-Leninist Stalinist judgement. And then she was.

The second woman was one of the two "jurors." She is a clerk and attended a "school for jurors" to learn how to uphold the regime.

No notes

THE third woman was the prisoner, a mother of three who worked in a small, privately-owned workshop at Weissenfels, in Saxony.

"What organisations do you belong to?" was one of the first questions the judge asked.

"None? A trade union? No? Well, well, well. Didn't it ever occur to you that you should be organised?"

"Why should you accept the benefits obtained for you in our society by your colleagues without subscribing to any of the bodies that obtained these benefits for you?"

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Marilyn stayed at home in the evenings with Joe.

But she also invited Natasha Lytes along to continue her drama studies. Mr DiMaggio did not like the idea. After a month or so he became almost vocal. In the end, he ordered Natasha Lytes out of the house. His wife, he felt, should learn drama in studio hours.

The prisoner sobbed. None of the workers in her factory had been organised, she said. The place was too small.

"Humph, we shall look into that," said the woman judge.

I started to take notes. A policeman came and clutched at my shoulder.

"What are you writing there, colleague?" he said.

"Don't you know it is forbidden?"

"Na wenn de Englisch vasteht, dann kiek mal her," I said in my broadest and cheekiest Berlin cockney. ("If you can read English, old boy, take a look at it.")

The woman judge intervened at her most angelic and gracious. "I think in this special case," she said, "we will permit notes. But I congratulate the colleague constable on his watchfulness."

As the little public prosecutor explained to me later, no one in the public gallery is allowed to make notes on court cases. First, they might get things down wrong. Secondly—ahem—espionage!

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Camera sale

THE case against the woman

was that she had spent her family savings of 820 marks on a camera. She travelled to

West Berlin, where her husband, who had fled from East Germany, was waiting. She handed him the camera to sell and make a good profit. Then she returned to East Berlin, it was alleged, bought three pairs of binoculars there, and was about to return across the sector border when she was caught by the People's Frontier Police.

The woman judge was inclined to doubt whether the accused could possibly have saved 800 marks out of her net salary of 300 marks a month.

She suggested that the woman must have been financed by someone in West Berlin who used stooges.

The attack

SHE did not press the point.

Not so the prosecutor. We heard it all, from a denunciation of West German militarisation directed against the Eastern camp of peace, the iniquities of American war-mongers, the treason of workers-traitors like the accused woman who let themselves be seduced by capitalist hyenas to deprive the East of its most valuable export commodities, and, finally, the need to vote for the Government in the elections of October 17 because that would be a vote against the blonde and her sort, and a vote for peace.

I am sorry to say, he even included an attack on the angelic little woman judge for showing too much womanly indulgence to the accused.

Yes, it was quite an introduction, this session in court, for a trip around the people's paradise of Eastern Germany.

(London Express Service.)

LOOK HOW the SHOWGIRLS have CHANGED

By MILTON SHULMAN

Once she got flowers and chocolates and diamonds—even orchids with five-pound notes around each stem. But today . . .

MISS RUBY MILLER, one-time Gaiety Girl in the Edwardian era, has constituted herself a one-woman campaign for the restoration of the position of the showgirl.

She feels it has deteriorated sadly, since the days when she appeared in musicals like "The Orchid" and "Our Miss Gibbs."

"We used to have the whole of Debrett and the Almanach de Gotha plying us with gifts," she said, "but the poor little girls nowadays are grateful if they are given a gin and tonic."

Reminiscing about her youth, Miss Miller conjured up a heady world waiting gaily to Léhar and Chapman, Ivor Novello could hardly have done it better.

Actresses then were the aristocracy of sex. Trained to be elegant and graceful, their stage career was usually but a preparation for their eventual elevation to the peerage.

"Mr George Edwardes, our manager, always told us to behave as we were going to be 'peeresses,'" Miss Miller said. "I was engaged to a couple of viscounts and an earl myself, but I gave them up because the call of the stage was too great."

Utterly untroubled by this state of affairs is Miss Diana Monks.

She dances and sings with considerable vivacity and charm in the revue, "Cockles and Champagne," now playing in Hampstead after a West End run. She does approximately what Miss Miller used to do, before Ruby Miller became a star.

Miss Monks, married to a dancer, never expected the stage to provide a path to a title.

"Most of the girls marry in the business," she said. "My friends who have married out of the business are bored stiff."

But it is not only on marriage that Ruby Miller and Diana Monks differ. The forty years that separates them has brought about an almost revolutionary change in the life of the showgirl.

Has the theatre—both actors and audience alike—lost something through the change? Here are the contrasting views of showgirl past and showgirl present.

You can decide for yourself.

On their work

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A MINOR REVOLUTION

EAT - WHAT - YOU - PLEASE
FOOTBALLERS ARE
DOING VERY WELL

By ARCHIE QUICK

There is a minor revolution happening in football. For years I have contended that the light, boiled lunch which clubs insist their players have before a match is a ridiculous restriction. Now at long last a manager has been courageous enough to prove me right — or wrong.

The enterprising Bristol Rovers' boss, Bert Tann, has given a pre-match "eat-what-you-please" signal, and the measure of its success can be gauged by Rovers' Second Division position. They are lying equal third, only one point behind the leaders, and it is the highest League place they have ever occupied.

From time immemorial the football ritual has been boiled fish, boiled mutton or boiled chicken, no vegetables, a little milk, pudding. And I have always said "Please" knowing the meal's amateurish and Rugby players consume before a game — always with the provision that simple time must be given for digestion.

Football managers have thrown up their arms against the suggestion, but the successful Rovers' boss, Bert Tann, vegetables (even two or three potatoes) and a pint off with a merlingue. The meal must be eaten not less than three hours before a game.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG
JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the 3rd Race Meeting 1954/55 to be held on Saturday 8th and Monday 8th November, 1954, (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House, the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Tuesday 26th October, 1954.

By Order of the Stewards,
H. MISA,
Secretary.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB
SECOND RACE MEETING

Saturday, 23rd October, 1954.

(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 10 RACES

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the First Race run at 2 p.m.

The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 11.45 a.m.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.

All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.

Admission Badges at \$10.00 each are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of a Member, such member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him.

Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 7281).

NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission will be \$3.00 each payable at the Gate.

Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.

MEALS AND REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

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The cost of a Through Cash Sweep Ticket is \$20.

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LONDON v. MOSCOW AT THE WHITE CITY



Jean Scrivens (London) winning the Women's 200 Metres Dash from Shirley Hampton (London) and Mariya Itkina (Moscow) in the London v. Moscow athletic match at the White City—Central Press Photo.

Tomorrow's Chances At The Valley

By "RAPIER"

The Hongkong Jockey Club's Second Race Meeting of the current season, to be held tomorrow afternoon, will consist of ten events, the most important of which is the Murray Handicap for Class 3 ponies.

The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will commence promptly at 2 p.m.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

FIRST RACE
York Handicap (First Section): One Mile.

The opening race tomorrow afternoon is confined to Class A ponies to be ridden by approved movie riders who have not won ten races at any time, anywhere.

I don't think I shall be far wrong in stating that the ponies to watch in this race are Crown Witness (Mr Barthropp), Acoplano (Mr H. K. Hung), Calamity (Mr Travert), Fortune (Mr T. H. Yau) and Desert Gold (Mr Andrew Chan).

Crown Witness, judging from its win in the Argyle Handicap over the two-mile post on the second day of the 1st Race Meeting, should have a good chance of winning again, but Aeroplane is not to be ignored as it came third in the Waterloo Handicap at the last meeting. But over this distance it is capable of exceeding Crown Witness.

Calamity did not impress in its last outing, but may do better tomorrow.

Fortuna is good over this distance and should not be disregarded. For long shot I suggest keeping Desert Gold in mind.

SECOND RACE
Pleasant Park Handicap: From 1½ Miles Post.

This race is for 1954 ponies, Class B, and it seems that Free Success (Mr Wei), which came in second in the Hennessy Stakes at the last meeting, has the best recommendation for a win here.

Oceanic Sisy (Mr Chun Kit) has improved a great deal in morning gallops and will probably have a say at the finish.

Fung Chi (Mr S. W. Tang) and Sunstreak (Mr Lam King-luk) should also receive some consideration, especially the latter which is in fine condition at the moment.

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Third place should be fought out between Royalty (Mr Oliveira) and Fleur Ace (Mr Samarc).

Fourth place should be fought out between Neptune (Mr Samarc) and Strathpeffer (Mr Plumby).

Neptune (Mr K. F. Choi), which was second at the last meeting in the Cameron Stakes from the 1½ Mile Post, may turn out to be dangerous opposition.

Third place should be fought out between Royalty (Mr Oliveira) and Fleur Ace (Mr Samarc).

Fifth place should be fought out between Helzippoppin (Mr Samarc) and Helzippoppin (Mr Samarc).

Sixth place should be fought out between Neptune (Mr Samarc) and Strathpeffer (Mr Plumby).

Seventh place should be fought out between Neptune (Mr Samarc) and Neptune (Mr Samarc).

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OFF TO SINGAPORE IN THE SQUALL



Temporary stop for Robert Bremner, (left) smoking pipe, age 21, an artist of Essex Road, Clapton, London, James Simmons, age 21 (post) of Ireland, and the Skipper owner Mr Bill Stokes, (centre), at Newlyn, Cornwall, England, where they called after breaking their main mast in a gale off Land's End. These three intrepid young men are sailing to Singapore—a distance of 10,000 miles—in a 33 ft. Bermudian-rigged yacht "The Squall". The yacht originally left Belfast on August 20, calling at Ardglass, Kilkenny, Mallow, etc., and then on to St Ives, where further preparations are being made before they continue their hazardous journey, when they hope the next port of call will be Great Britain. They are leaving Newlyn shortly for Portsmouth, to pass the doctors. "The Squall" has no motor aboard, and the adventurers are relying solely upon sail to take them half way around the world. —Express Photo.

THE WEST IS NOT SO WILD BUT IT'S TOUGH

Cheyenne, Wyoming, Oct. 21.

Ranch life in America's west is a lot more comfortable today than it used to be, but it is still hard work.

While Buffalo Bill might not recognise all the modern conveniences, he would have no trouble in fitting in at a moderate roundup where cutting, branding and riding have not changed in 100 years.

Today's ranch homes have television sets, running water, electricity and all the other mechanised devices which make mid-twentieth century life easier and more comfortable.

Some of the biggest concerns, like the Warren Livestock Company of Cheyenne, use vehicles with two-way radio and aircraft to take counts of their herds, and race over the prairie in Jeeps.

But when the basic work of ranch is to be done, it still requires rugged men, riding strong horses.

The Warren ranch covers 300,000 acres. On its grazing land, there are some 2,600 cattle and 35,000 sheep. More than 100 men work there tending herds, mending fences and taking care of the millions of jobs entailed in looking after livestock.

Even the normal side ranches, where about 200 cattle are run, Jeeps and trucks have taken much of the old-time burden away.

Today's rancher is the first to admit that ranching 1954 style is easier than in the old days.

He is also the first to tell you that when the thin layer of mechanisation is ripped away, there still remains the rugged outdoor work which has been the trademark of the cattle industry since its earliest days.

In the mountain valleys and foothills, however, horses are still the primary methods of tending fences, rounding up strays and carrying out the chores.

In the mountain valleys, too, the cowboy of today must still carry weapons against such menaces as mountain lions, coyotes and rattlesnakes.

The calving and lambing periods are also times for which modern science has found no short-cuts. They are jobs which require brute strength, endless stamina and nerves of steel.

The rancher of today is still an easily recognised man. His light shirts and pants, his western hat and wobbly, high-heeled boots mark him, even if his windburned face does not give him away.

Reuters' middies show that the London Registers are fetching £107½ in London, while the nominal rate quoted in Hongkong for the London registers are £109½.

According to Reuters Commercial Cables, the shares rose in London entirely or buying pressure from Hongkong. The report said there was greater demand for local (HK) registers and the assumption was that there would be a bonus issue at one for four. There were other rumours that the Hongkong Bank may buy an interest in a British Bank in the Middle East.

NEW ISSUE TALK

New issue talk is not new of course. It has been going on for some time, but a few people have told me recently that their brokers have been advising them to buy banks, that something more tangible than mere rumours is in the wind. My broker friends know nothing more than I've told you, however.

Elsewhere in the market there have been a number of utility demand and cement issues. Some of them are now high at 32½—up \$1.50 on the week.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed unchanged to 1 point higher with sales of 26 contracts.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed unchanged to 1 point lower with sales of 12 contracts.

Dairies to futures were quiet reflecting a slackening in refinery buying of raw sugar. No world raw sugar sales were reported.

BUSINESS HAS AVERAGED

the million mark this week, reflecting a fair amount of genuine investment interest.

Among the utilities sought were Electrics (up from 31½ to 32½) and Telephones (up from 26.80 to 27.40). Dairy Farms are 20 cents better at \$24.80.

STEAMS LOWER

Yesterdays' market showed a slight drop in the price of steam coal.

After all, they are very poor heating fuel.

A number of companies had to keep on the lookout for steam in a such weather as this, and danger of explosion is a real factor.

And now, we look forward to the coming winter with a sense of relief.

A Dream Fades For Cinderella

Rome, Oct. 21.

Attractive Ida Maria Iacono, 17-year-old Cinderella from the Italian isle of Ischia, who hoped to become an English heiress, is seeing her dream fading.

Mr Robert Fitz Aucher, 47-year-old bachelor and managing director of the Coated Steel Corporation of Europe, registered in Jersey, promised to adopt her and take her to London to be groomed for her new life.

But now he has discovered he cannot adopt her.

I spoke to dark-haired Ida in Rome today, and found her bewildered, happy, excited, and worried. She said:

"And then . . ."

"I met Mr. Fitz Aucher for the first time last May as I was walking with a Swiss couple near my native village of Sant' Angelo."

"Mr. Fitz Aucher looked at me intently, but did not speak."

"Next day, he called on my parents and told them he wanted to adopt me, look after my education, and eventually make me his heiress."

"My parents hesitated. They asked me time to think it over, made some inquiries about the English gentleman, and finally gave their consent."

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TRADE AND COMMERCE SECTION

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

WHEELOCK'S AND BANKS TAKE THE LIMELIGHT

By A Special Correspondent

Wheclocks and Banks provide the news of the week for the Hongkong Stock Exchange. Wheclocks with their dividend cum bonus of 75 cents, and Banks with their meteoric rise to \$1,860.

The Wheclock dividend first: the actual dividend is 50 cents or 10 per cent and the bonus is 25 cents or 5 per cent, making 75 cents in all for the year to March 31, 1954. In the previous year, the total dividend on the then \$20 shares was \$3,50 which works out at 87½ cents on the basis of a \$5 share.

So actually their dividend is down. Their profit for the year is \$4,225 to \$4,178 but the cotton group is strong with both Textiles and Nanyang showing better prices.

Unions have not been able to keep pace with their big brothers Banks and have dropped temporarily. Yesterday they quoted at \$640 nominal and were \$630 buyers on Wednesday as against buyers \$625 last Thursday.

Hotels are quiet, business being done yesterday at \$10.80 or 30 cents lower on the week. Yesterday must have been one of the quietest days since the rumour about the sale of the Pedder Street plot first started.

Quite a number of people, it appears, are wondering why Wheclocks paid a 50-cent dividend and a 25-cent bonus. Why not a straight 75 cent dividend, they ask? And the fear in their minds is that next year if business is not so good the company can still pay an unchanged dividend without the bonus or a smaller bonus without compromising their dividend policy.

Ice House Street is rife with theories and speculation but at the moment I think these fears are premature and the suspicion is not really warranted—or rather that it is all based on extremely hypothetical cases.

You notice that despite the fact that the dividend was 50 cents, the shares were slightly and in the last two days there has been a fairly heavy turnover at \$7.75 to \$7.75—which is 20 cents better than Tuesday's rate. This is anything, reflects satisfaction. Certainly I have heard of no one who is disappointed.

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$363,981. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES

BANKS

Month	Volume	Open Interest
Oct.	40,900	60,700
Dec.	7,500	63,600
Mar.	29,800	76,100
May	2,400	60,000
Oct.	4,400	60,000
Dec.	1,500	61,000
Mar.	20,800	61,000
Total	100,000	61,000

NEW YORK

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Dec.	33.05
Jan.	34.40
Feb.	33.85
Mar.	34.00
May	34.72
Oct.	34.78
Dec.	34.90

NEW ORLEANS

Prices of futures closed today as follows:

Dec.	33.05
Jan.	34.40
Feb.	33.85
Mar.	35.00
July	34.71
Oct.	34.78
Dec.	34.95

LIVERPOOL

Official values in spot cottons in pence per lb. include:

American middling

15/16 inch	33.82
7/8 inch	30.02

Mexican middling

1-1/2 inch	33.85
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Others were unchanged.

SAO PAULO

Futures closing prices, in cruzeros per kilo were as follows:

Dec.	30.00
Mar.	31.10
May	35.00
July	34.71
Oct.	34.95
Dec.	34.95

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INDUSTRIAL GAINS

Industrial gains ranged well over a point despite the realising.

Stools were strong.

Chrysler moved up 5% to \$67½ as the Company announced its 1955 Plymouth and Dodge models.

Plymouth and Dodge models.

General Motors rose 5% to \$90½.

Atlantic Refining lost 1/4 to \$33½ on a lower earnings report.

But other oil had gains, ranging to more than a point in Standard, Sun (which announced a 50% split this week) and Texas Pacific Land Trust.

Out of 1,218 issues traded, 498 were higher, 434 lower.

Sales amounted to 2,320,000 shares.

The New York Stock Exchange bond volume was \$5,050,000.

The American Stock Exchange volume was 600,000 shares.

DOW-JONES AVERAGES

The market was steady.

No. 1 Res. spot were quoted at 24½

per cent plus 1/2 points.

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CHINA ENGINEER'S STATEMENT

(Continued from Page 1)

"There is nothing to warrant this persecution. Though suffering in our trade from the effects of the embargo, we have faithfully abided by it. We have not even been informed why designation has been applied to us. It amounts to being tried, convicted and punished without an opportunity of knowing anything about the charge, or of answering it."

"We have withheld comment in the past in the hope that the injustice of this action would be realized, but this is now the third consecutive year in which our Balance Sheet shows that part of our account is 'blocked', and our shareholders are entitled to know what lies behind it."

The situation remains unaltered. It may be added that George Blunn & Co. Ltd., a subsidiary of China Engineers Ltd., whose offices are situated in Kuala Lumpur, have also been 'designated'; their account with Du Pont, for whom they were agents, has been blocked, and business relations with Du Pont severed.

Appointments

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has appointed Mr. J. Forbes to be Deputy Director of Public Works, vice Mr. N. K. Littlejohn. It was announced in the Government Gazette today.

Other appointments gazetted were: Dr. Mary Anna Sung to be a Woman Medical Officer, Miss W. A. Woodfine to be a Senior Nursing Sister, Mrs. Kwong Leung to be an Education Officer (Woman), Mr. E. M. J. A. Hower to be Acting Senior Marine Officer, Mr. R. Woodward to be an Inspector of Bollards for the purposes of the Steam Bollards Ordinance, vice Mr. E. Ellison.

TOAST TO INDIA'S PRESIDENT

New Delhi, Oct. 21. Mr. Mao Tse-tung, the Chinese Communist Leader, tonight expressed China's determination to strive for peace.

He made the statement at a dinner given by the Indian Ambassador in Peking, and attended by the Indian Prime Minister, Mr. Nehru, according to a Press Trust of India correspondent.

Mr. Mao proposed a toast to the health of the Indian President, Mr. Rajendra Prasad, and expressed the wish for closer cooperation between the peoples of India and China for world peace and peace in Asia.—Reuters.

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Abortion Charges To Be Heard: 2 Accused Return From Macao

After leaving the Colony on August 20 last year, when they were due to appear for trial at the Criminal Sessions on charges in cases of alleged criminal abortion, Wong Man-huen, alias Chan Wah, 51, housewife, and her husband, Cheung Wun, 51, businessman, returned from Macao on October 18 this year and surrendered themselves to the Police.

The two were arraigned before Mr Justice J. Reynolds, acting Puisne Judge, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, charged on two counts of using instruments to procure miscarriages and one of conspiracy to procure abortions.

When the accused absconded in August, 1953, each of them forfeited bail of \$20,000. Charged together with them at the time were their three daughters, an amah and another man. The Crown entered a nolle prosequi in respect of the man and the trial proceeded against the four women, who were subsequently acquitted by the Jury.

The charges against the two accused were:

(1) On January 28, 1953, with intent to procure the miscarriage of Wong Yuk-fan, unlawfully used an instrument or some other unknown means;

(2) On May 29, 1953, with intent to procure the miscarriage of Leo Yee-mui, unlawfully used an instrument or some other unknown means;

(3) On divers dates between September 12, 1953, and May 30, 1953, conspired together to procure abortions.

NOT GUILTY PLEA

The accused pleaded not guilty to all three counts.

Mr. R. W. S. Winter, instructed by Messrs. P. H. Sin and Co., appeared for the accused and applied for bail. He said the accused absconded from bail on August 20 last year and on October 18 this year, they returned to the Colony and surrendered themselves. Counsel asked the Court to treat the case as an initial application for bail.

"Bail was granted last year in the previous case in which there were four other defendants and all were acquitted of the charges on which these two now stand charged," he continued.

"There were very good reasons why these two absconded. It will be proved later that the wife was a very sick woman and was afraid to stand her trial. Previous to this she had received treatment in prison. This is the reason she left and it very naturally follows why the husband also left with her."

SUNNY SHORES

When the case first came before a magistrate, Crown Counsel continued, bail was refused but following an application made to a Judge in Chambers, supported by a heart-felt affidavit (by Mr. P. H. Sin), the accused were allowed bail of \$20,000 each.

Mr. Winter remarked that this bail had been forfeited.

Mr. Mayne said that after the application and the granting of bail, the two accused absconded to "the sunny shores of Macao" and 10 others charged with them to face trial.

His Lordship observed he thought there was good reason why bail should not be granted and naked Crown Counsel if he knew anything about the state of the woman accused's health.

Mr. Mayne said he did not, but added that if she was remanded in prison she would get better medical attention than otherwise.

BAIL REFUSED

Mr. Winter submitted that the Crown had not put forward any grounds for the Court to refuse bail. The object of bail, he declared, was to ensure that persons to be present to stand their trial. With greater assurance did the Court need than that the accused had returned and surrendered voluntarily, he added. He repeated his application for bail.

Mr. Justice Reynolds refused bail.

Mr. Mayne then applied for the case to be adjourned to the next Sessions in view of the abrupt appearance of the accused.

Mr. Winter opposed the application as he said the case was set for trial in the present calendar and it could be taken up. The accused had been remanded in prison and Crown Counsel's application would only cause unnecessary trouble in custody to be granted.

Mr. Mayne said the Crown Counsel had agreed to the adjournment.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



BIG LANCASHIRE WELCOME FOR THE QUEEN

Wigan, Lancashire, Oct. 21.

Miners straight from the coal face and gaily-dressed children of United States service personnel swelled cheering crowds which greeted the Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh today at the start of their two-day visit to Lancashire.

As she stepped from the train here, the Queen was wearing a coat of midnight blue, with epaulets, collar and close-fitting belt to match, navy blue peep-toe shoes and handbag. The Duke wore a charcoal grey suit.

This included a visit to Bootle, and then to Liverpool, where a tour of the School of Tropical Medicine was substituted for a visit to St. Helen's about eight miles away, past crowds of flag-waving school children who lined the route.

They were joined by miners still in their pit clothes and United States Air Force personnel from Burtonwood base together with their wives and children, the latter sporting brightly-coloured shirts.

She and the Duke are spending the night aboard the Royal Train parked in a nearby siding.

As the Queen and Duke drove from Knowsley Hall, a little Maing girl toddled forward to give the Queen a bouquet. She was not noticed and started walking away.

Then the Queen suddenly saw the little girl, daughter of a Malayan student here, and stopped the car. The window was lowered and the little girl climbed up to present her bouquet. The Queen acknowledged it with a smile and "thank you."

Commissions And Promotions

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government has approved the following commissions and promotions in the Royal Hong Kong Defence Force, it was announced in the Government Gazette today.

To be Lieutenants (Force HQ): Sgt. R. E. Read, Gunner T. A. Pearce; Cpl. C. K. Larrard, Sgt. R. H. Cocks; to be Captain Lt. W. E. Barrett.

It was also announced that Chief Engineer Artificer, H. M. Nunro has been appointed Probationary Acting Lieutenant (E) in the Hongkong Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve.

The Commandant of the R.H.K.D.F., with the approval of H.E. the Officer Administering the Government, has posted Lt. G. H. Edmonds, formerly of the Hongkong Regiment, to the R.H.K.D.F. Reserve of Officers.

Mr. Mayne, Senior Crown Counsel, refused bail.

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